

Claim 18(Canceled).
Claim 19(Canceled).
Claim 20(Canceled).

Claim 21(Newly Added). A barrier implement for obstructing a route of travel of crawling arthropods for a water irrigation head used in an outside watering device, comprising:

a flexible sheet of material adjacent to the water irrigation head; and
arthropod deterring component associated with said sheet for deterring crawling arthropods and impeding their route of travel to the water spray head.

Claim 22(Newly Added). The barrier implement of claim 21, wherein the water irrigation head includes:

a microjet.

Claim 23(Newly Added). The barrier implement of claim 21, wherein the flexible sheet includes: an opening through the sheet for allowing the water irrigation head to protrude therethrough.

Claim 24(Newly Added). The barrier implement of claim 23, further comprising:

a support member for supporting the sheet above a ground surface so that the sheet is located between the water irrigation head and the ground surface.

Claim 25(Newly Added). The barrier implement of claim 24, wherein the support member includes: a stake and hose assembly.

Claim 26(Newly Added). The barrier implement of claim 21, wherein the arthropod deterring component includes: an arthropod deterring agent embodied in the sheet.

Claim 27(Newly Added). The barrier implement of claim 26, wherein the arthropod deterring agent includes: a pesticide.

Claim 28(Newly Added). The barrier implement of claim 25, further comprising:
a threaded portion on the support member beneath the water irrigation head; and
a nut for screwing about the threaded portion, wherein the nut holds the sheet in position.

Claim 29(Newly Added). A method of deterring crawling arthropods from reaching a water irrigation head, comprising the steps of:
positioning a sheet adjacent to the water irrigation head;
applying an arthropod deterring component to the sheet; and
preventing the crawling arthropods from reaching the water irrigation head by the sheet with the arthropod deterring component.

Claim 30(Newly Added). The method of claim 29, wherein the positioning step includes:
protruding the water irrigation head through an opening in the sheet.

Claim 31(Newly Added). The method of claim 29, wherein the applying step includes:
embodying an arthropod deterring agent to the sheet.

Claim 32(Newly Added). The method of claim 31, wherein the embodying step includes:

applying a pesticide to the sheet.

Claim 33(Newly Added). The method of claim 28, wherein the positioning step includes:
positioning the sheet between the water irrigation head and a ground surface.

Claim 34(Newly Added). The method of claim 33, further comprising:
supporting the sheet above the ground surface.

Claim 35(Newly Added). The method of claim 29, wherein the positioning step includes:
holding the sheet to a support member with a nut on a threaded shaft, so that the sheet is
between the water irrigation head and the support member.

Claim 36(Newly Added). An arthropod deterring assembly for water irrigation heads,
comprising in combination:
a water irrigation head raised above a ground surface;
a sheet between the head the ground surface; and
an arthropod deterring material associated with the sheet for deterring crawling
arthropods from reaching the water irrigation head.

Claim 37(Newly Added). The assembly of claim 36, wherein the sheet includes:
a gasket shape having a through-hole for allowing the water irrigation head to protrude
therethrough.